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Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:30 p.m.
 Sunday 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Weekday Masses

Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m.
 Saturday 9:00 a.m.

Confessions: Saturdays 3:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
 or by Appointment.

First Friday of the Month

Adoration/Benediction
 Following 8:30 a.m. Mass

Baptism: Contact the office to register your child. Baptism dates assigned at time of interview with Priest or Deacon.

Marriage: Contact the parish office for appointment.

Office Hours: Monday – Friday 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Pastoral Team

Msgr. Patrick O’Dea, C.H.H. – *Pastor*
 Rev. Andrew Taylor – *Associate Pastor*
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Parish Ministries

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Parish Schools

<u>Parish Schools</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Phone</u>
St. Edward	1 Botham Rd., North York, ON M2N 2J6	416-393-5255
St. Cyril	18 Kempford Blvd., Willowdale, ON M2N 2B9	416-393-5270
St. Antoine Daniel	160 Finch Ave. W., Willowdale, ON M2N 2J2	416-393-5339
Cardinal Carter Academy for the Arts	36 Greenfield Ave., Toronto, ON M2N 3C8	416-393-5556

2nd Sunday of Lent



A FEW YEARS ago, when I asked my students to draw an image of God, one of them said: “I have no idea how to do this. I don’t think about God at all.” I was taken aback; but now I realize this is more and more the experience of many in our world.

Today’s readings offer us many ways in which we can “see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.” Sometimes it just takes stopping, noticing and articulating God-moments, as the disciples did on that mountain: moments of transfiguration that keep us in awe-struck silence.

Although we, like the disciples, yearn to savour those moments, we are called instead to witness to the Transfiguration in the ordinary all around us: the woman who offers you a seat on the bus; the store clerk who gives you an extra avocado for free; the boys sharing a joke in the hallway; our daughter texting us to check in. These are the moments when we can see God’s face and are assured that we, like Abram, have overflowing and uncountable blessings in our daily lives.

Back in class three years later, that same student who was now in Grade 12 told me he had finally seen the face of God: It was there in the teachers he had met. He just had to open his eyes to see God was there all along.

(Reflection of Maurice Eubank of Living with Christ)

ANNUAL MASS OF ST. PATRICK

Monday, March 17th – 10:00 a.m.

St. Michael’s Cathedral Basilica 65 Bond Street, Toronto

The annual Mass of St. Patrick from St. Michael’s Cathedral Basilica in Toronto will take place this **Monday, March 17th at 10:00 a.m.** Cardinal Thomas Collins, Archbishop Emeritus of Toronto, will be the presider and homilist. All are welcome. Msgr. Pat will be helping to organize this Mass. There will also be an opportunity for all attending to visit the CRYPT Chapel to pray at the tomb of Bishop Michael Power.

Livestream available at: www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live.

Journey through Lent

We are pleased to announce that the *Journey through Lent* video series, which includes reflections on the readings for Sundays in Lent including Palm Sunday, is available. It is a joint project between three CCCB offices (the *Office national de liturgie*, the National Liturgy Office, and the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis).

The videos are available on the CCCB Website.

English: www.cccb.ca/len French: www.cecc.ca/careme

Monday, March 17, 2025

8:30 a.m. + Brigid Gaffney

Tuesday, March 18, 2025 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. Blessings for Sr. Theresina Kim
Good Health – Rosa Pak
+ Sarah Byeon
+ Caisse Chan Mei Fung

Wednesday, March 19, 2025

8:30 a.m. + Eustace Pereira
7:00 p.m. For Our Holy Father Pope Francis

Thursday, March 20, 2025 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. + Shui-Lin Wang
+ John Flynn
+ Maria Rita Carta
+ Sarah Byeon

Friday, March 21, 2025

8:30 a.m. Birthday Wishes for Agnes Karst
7:30 p.m. Pais Family

Saturday, March 22, 2025 Multi-intention

9:00 a.m. + Felicidad Fernandes
Birthday Wishes for Christopher Kim

4:30 p.m. + Living & Deceased members of Morales Family

Sunday, March 23, 2025

8:00 a.m. + Lily Reyes
9:30 a.m. + G. & G. D’Angela
11:00 a.m. + Arthur Vilhena

Vocations

Peter, John and James had a mountaintop experience with Jesus by witnessing His transfiguration. We too can have a mountaintop experience when we open our minds and hearts to following God’s Will for our lives. If God is calling you, to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact **Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.** vocations@archtoronto.osrg

A Day With Mary

Save the Date: On Saturday, May 31, the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a new archdiocesan event called “A Day With Mary” will be taking place at Villanova College in King City. We will gather together from all corners of the archdiocese to participate in Mass, pray the Rosary, grow deeper in our devotion to Our Lady through a keynote address for the adults and children’s catechesis for the kids. There will be music and fellowship, and we hope you will consider joining the Cardinal Archbishop and so many others who love the Blessed Mother. More information will follow in the coming weeks. Mary Mother of the Church, pray for us!

MARCH 16, 2025

FRIDAYS IN LENT

8:30 a.m. – Morning Mass
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. – Holy Hour
7:00 p.m. – Stations of the Cross
7:30 p.m. – Mass

Traditional Lenten Disciplines

Penance: Lent is a time for penance and repentance, for almsgiving and prayer, for working to change attitudes that are not pleasing to God.

Fasting & Abstinence: Catholics aged 14 and older abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all the Fridays of Lent. In addition, on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, Catholics from age 18 – 59 fast, limiting themselves to one full meal and two smaller meals each day.

Prayer: Catholics are encouraged to pray more during Lent, especially with Scripture. Lent is also an ideal time to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation in preparation for the celebration of Christ's Passion, Death and Resurrection.

Almsgiving: Moved by the sacrifice of Christ, many Christians combine almsgiving with fasting, giving to the poor the money saved by less eating, or shopping. Consider donations to ShareLife or the St. Vincent de Paul Society who serve the poor and needy.

Springs of Hope

Virtual Meetings held second Thursday of the month at 7:30 p.m.
Springs of Hope is a space where couples journey together on the challenging path of infertility. These encounters serve as a vessel for a deep renewal in our relationships with our spouses, selves and God. It accompanies those struggling with infertility by offering a place where they can know God's love for them and discover His unique call to fruitfulness. The group is firmly rooted in the spirituality of the Catholic Church, including its teachings on marriage, reproductive technologies and the dignity of the human person. We affirm the goodness and beauty of the couple and work to help marriages blossom even when experiencing seasons of infertility or loss. By focusing on Christ rather than conception, we can enter more deeply into the mystery of God and His divine plan for marriage and our lives.

CONTACT: Springs of Hope

EMAIL: suzanne.lozinski@gmail.com

WEBSITE: <https://rhfertilitycare.com/support-group>

Coins for Life 2025

Coins for life boxes will be out at the back of the church. This project helps us to continue to run the National March for Life in Ottawa on May 8, 2025. Be sure that your small change can lead to a BIG change in our land and does help to save countless innocent lives now and in the future. For more information call Jenny at 416-267-7126.

Muffin Mondays for Seniors

Hawthorn School – 101 Scarsdale Rd, Toronto

As a gesture of respect and gratitude for senior citizens in the community, the students at Hawthorn School would like to invite all seniors to Hawthorn's monthly Mondays. Enjoy complimentary coffee, snacks, & a performance at **3:15 PM on the following Mondays: April 14, May 12 and June 9.** Contact Queenie Yu at 416-444-3054 or qyu@hawthornschool.com for more information.

CGL Circle

Building Faith, Friendship, Fun, and Formation

The Catholic Girls League (CGL) had its first meeting on February 27, 2025, with 14 girls and volunteers. The evening featured fun activities like handwriting, origami, and friendship bracelets.

Next Meeting: Thursday, March 27, 2025 | 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm. New members welcome! Register online:

<https://stedwardtheconfessorno.archtoronto.org/en/parish-groups/catholic-girls-league/>

Registration Fee: No fee, but cash donations to cover refreshments and activities are appreciated.

For questions, email Gene: stedward75cgl@gmail.com

Thank you for your support!

ShareLife – Parish Results

First ShareLife Sunday is **March 30th**. Our parish goal is \$122,000 for 2025.

Through your support of ShareLife, you extend the hands of Christ to those in need: the poor, the vulnerable, and the marginalized in our community. Because you care, more than 40 agencies provide strength to people of all ages in their weakest moments. You've been there for young parents as they worried about their next meal, isolated seniors yearning for companionship, teenagers seeking guidance in a confusing world, refugees longing to rebuild their lives, and people with special needs striving for dignity and acceptance.

Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

St. Joseph's Day – March 19th

Besides the regular 8:30 am morning Mass, we shall have an evening Mass at 7:00 pm.

Senior Residence Masses – March 2025

Wednesday, March 19th – Del Manor – 10:30 a.m.

Monday, March 31st – AMICA – 10:30 a.m.

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